



## *Standards of Professional Conduct for Participation in the Urban Teacher Program at Metropolitan State University*

The Urban Teacher Program (UTP) at Metropolitan State University expects teacher candidates to work effectively in diverse urban educational settings with children, teachers, families, communities, and other school-based or community-based personnel. Such work in the program requires being aware of various standards of professional conduct for success as an urban teacher candidate. Teacher candidates at various stages throughout the program ranging from those who are seeking admission to those who have completed student teaching and seeking a program recommendation to the state for teaching licensure will receive, read and refer to the following source documents for guidance towards meeting UTP expectations:

- I. [UTP Vision, Mission and Guiding Principles](#)
- II. [UTP Criteria for Admission included in the Guide to Admission in the UTP](#)
- III. [What is Urban? Guide to Qualifying Urban Field Experiences for the UTP](#)
- IV. Professional strengths as outlined in the UTP Admission [Instructor](#) and [Field Recommendation Forms](#)
- V. [Metropolitan State University Student Code of Conduct](#)
- VI. [Code of Ethics for Minnesota Teachers](#)
- VII. [UTP Student Conduct Code](#)
- VIII. [Assessment of Urban Teacher Candidate Professional Conduct](#)
- IX. [MN Standards of Effective Practice for Beginning Teachers](#)

### **Statement of Having Received and Read the UTP Standards of Professional Conduct:**

I have received and read the documents comprising the standards of professional conduct for participation in the Metropolitan State University Urban Teacher Program. I understand that my work in this Program will involve field experiences and curriculum within and for urban settings, especially toward the education of historically and currently underserved urban learners and their communities. I further understand that my participation in the UTP will be guided and assessed by these standards of professional conduct. I understand that violating the University's Student Code of Conduct or the Code of Ethics for Minnesota Teachers while I am taking coursework or completing field experiences may result in suspension or removal from the Urban Teacher Program. I further understand that, even if I have completed all coursework, the UTP may not recommend me for licensure if I violate either code. Finally, I understand that the Program may also deny me admission, retention, program completion, or licensure recommendation if I possess a criminal record that would prohibit me from volunteering in schools, student teaching, getting licensed, or gaining employment as a teacher.

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*Note: A copy of this signed statement of understanding is to be placed in the student's Urban Teacher Program file.*